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AND ZEOLITE TUBULAR SEPARATION MEMBRANE MANUFACTURED BY THE
PROCESS

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1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-240411, published September 4, 2001.
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2003-144871, published May 20, 2003.
3. Japanese Patent No. 3272119, issued January 25, 2002.
4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 9-202615, published August 5, 1997.

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /K.M./

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